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William F. Caton
Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Mail Stop 1170
1919 M Street, N.W. Room 222
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Caton:

Re: WT Docket No. 95-157, Microwave Relocation

Today, Betsy Granger, Senior Attorney, Pacific Bell Mobile Services, and I met with David Furth, Chief, Michael Hamra, and Ibn Spicer, of the Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, to discuss issues summarized in the attachment. Please include this material in the above-referenced docket.

We are submitting two copies of this notice in accordance with Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commission's rules. Please stamp and return the provided copy to confirm your receipt. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: D. Furth
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Presentation of Pacific Bell
Mobile Services Regarding the
Selection of a Microwave Cost
Sharing Clearinghouse, Docket
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- Multiple clearinghouses will raise costs since additional costs and overhead expenses will be distributed among the same group of participants.

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- Two different databases will have to coordinate the exchange of information making the process more complicated and increasing the possibility that the confidentiality of information will be compromised.

PCIA's plan provides the best opportunity for industry input.

- The Commission has stated, “We also believe that it is essential for the plan to be administered by the industry to the fullest extent possible.”
- PCIA's plan provides for a separate Board of Directors elected by the entities that participate in cost sharing.

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- ITA's proposal does not address industry participation.

PCIA's fee structure is more reasonable and realistic.

- Under PCIA's plan no fee is due until a cost sharing transaction takes place.
- ITA requires a fee for each relocated link regardless of whether cost sharing occurs.
- ITA's estimates of the number of links that will be relocated in the first year is very high.

Conclusion

- The designation of one clearinghouse will make administration of the cost sharing program smoother and more efficient.
- PCIA is thoroughly familiar with the rules and has presented a well-constructed plan. It should be designated as the only clearinghouse for the cost sharing program.